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Thank you for requiring more information before ruling on the proposed pipeline to the Sun City area.

Current On May 24th 2001 Central Arizona Project breaks ground on the recharge field area north of Tolman Rd., after careful percolation testing the soil. Arizona Corporation Commission

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Economic The direct recharge method offers 15 times the end product (Water) at 1/20th the cost of a pipe line delivery. MAY 21 2001

Regional C.A.P. has been involved in other direct recharge projects in Maricopa and Pima Counties.

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History Our aquifers have continued to be self-fulfilling from the beginning of time, because of natural recharge from the run-off of mountains, rivers and rainfall.

Bottom line, It has been more economic to add more recharge, than to build a 15 million dollar pipeline, with 2 million in maintenance fees, to bring in untreated water that has only forced re-seeding of golf courses in other areas.

C.A.P. Mission Statement To deliver its full allocation of Colorado River water to central Arizona reliably, cost effective ly and in an environmentally sound manner with highest regard for evolving public needs and customer satisfaction. Preserve the public's trust and the long-term viability of C.A.P. by promoting responsible water use, effectively managing its human, financial and capital resources and repaying its reimbursable construction costs.

Personal As a 1995 refugee from the skyrocketing water and sewer rates of the greater Boston MA area that approached and exceeded real estate taxes, I shudder to anticipate the crushing burden of pipeline increased costs of living for the 4,000 Sun Citians who are already below the poverty level and for the over 2500 residents who are seeking real estate tax abatements based on low income.

Basically Why should Sun City residents pay \$15,000,000 for a pipeline to receive only 27% of their water needs? (4,189 acre feet)p. 11 para.2.HOAA CAP Water Report.

Respectfully,

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